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FORMING RUBBER STRIP MATERIALS FOR  
BUILDING TIRES AND METHOD OF  
BUILDING TIRES  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified patent  
application as follows: